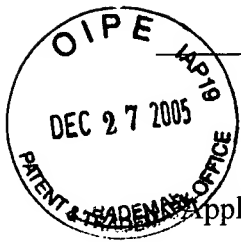


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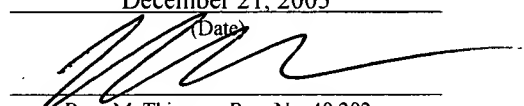
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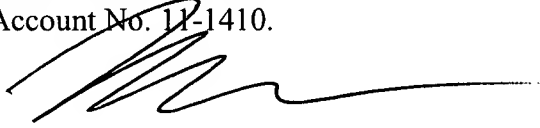
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In response to the Office Action mailed September 22, 2005, please find the enclosed amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.